

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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FOR: OPTICAL ELEMENTS (SUCH AS VARI-FOCAL LENS COMPONENT, VARI-FOCAL DIFFRACTIVE  
OPTICAL ELEMENT AND VARIABLE DECLINATION PRISM) AND ELECTRONIC IMAGE PICKUP UNIT  
USING OPTICAL ELEMENTS

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

**Mail Stop Amendment - RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Interview Summary mailed **July 27, 2010** (hereinafter the "Interview Summary"), and further to the Final Office Action mailed **March 23, 2010** (hereinafter the "Office Action"), please amend this application and consider the following remarks:

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 033975 (Ref. No. 050931-0308962).